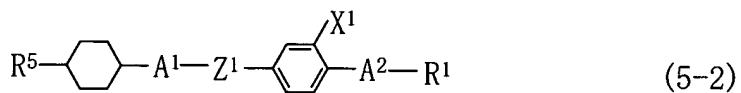
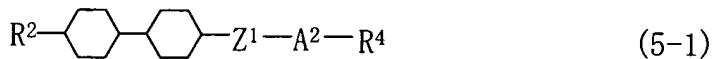
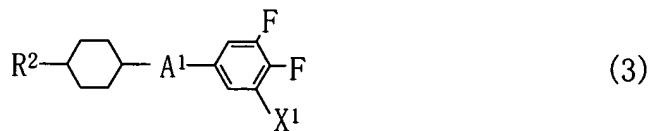
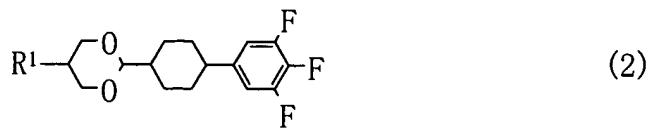
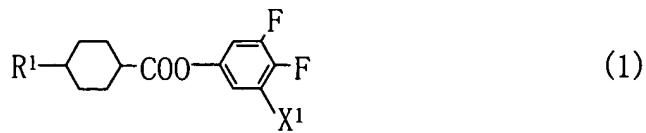


**Amendments to the Claims**

**Kindly amend claim 19.**

**Kindly add new claims 21-54.**

1. (Original) A liquid crystal composition comprising; as a first component, at least one compound selected from a group of compounds represented by Formula (1); as a second component, at least one compound selected from a group of compounds represented by Formula (2); as a third component, at least one compound selected from a group of compounds represented by Formula (3); as a forth component, at least one compound selected from a group of compounds represented by Formula (4); and as a fifth component, at least one compound selected from a group of compounds represented by Formulas (5-1) and (5-2).



wherein  $\text{R}^1$  is alkyl;  $\text{R}^2$  is alkyl or alkenyl;  $\text{R}^3$  is alkyl, alkoxy, or  $-\text{CF}_3$ ;  $\text{R}^4$  is alkyl or alkoxy;  $\text{R}^5$  is alkyl or alkoxymethyl;  $\text{A}^1$  is 1,4-cyclohexylene or 1,4-phenylene in which any hydrogen may be replaced by fluorine;  $\text{A}^2$  is 1,4-cyclohexylene or 1,4-phenylene;  $\text{Z}^1$  is a single bond or  $-\text{COO}-$ ; and  $\text{X}^1$  is hydrogen or fluorine.

2. (Original) The liquid crystal composition according to claim 1, wherein the fifth component is at least one compound selected from a group of compounds represented by Formula (5-1).

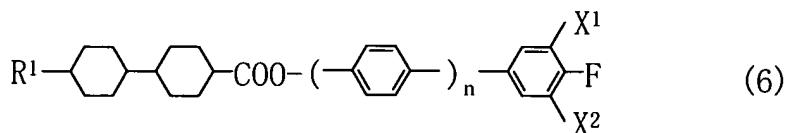
3. (Original) The liquid crystal composition according to claim 1, wherein the fifth component is at least one compound selected from a group of compounds represented by Formula (5-2).

4. (Original) The liquid crystal composition according to claim 1, wherein the first component is in the range of 5 to 30% by weight, the second component is in the range of 10 to 40% by weight, the third component is in the range of 10 to 50% by weight, the forth component is in the range of 3 to 30% by weight, and the fifth component is in the range of 3 to 40% by weight, each based on the total weight of the composition.

5. (Original) The liquid crystal composition according to claim 2, wherein the first component is in the range of 5 to 30% by weight, the second component is in the range of 10 to 40% by weight, the third component is in the range of 10 to 50% by weight, the forth component is in the range of 3 to 30% by weight, and the fifth component is in the range of 3 to 40% by weight, each based on the total weight of the composition.

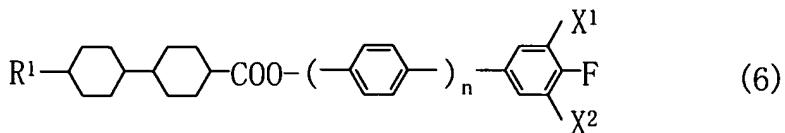
6. (Original) The liquid crystal composition according to claim 3, wherein the first component is in the range of 5 to 30% by weight, the second component is in the range of 10 to 40% by weight, the third component is in the range of 10 to 50% by weight, the forth component is in the range of 3 to 30% by weight, and the fifth component is in the range of 3 to 40% by weight, each based on the total weight of the composition.

7. (Original) The liquid crystal composition according to claim 1, further comprising, as a sixth component, at least one compound selected from a group of compounds represented by Formula (6).



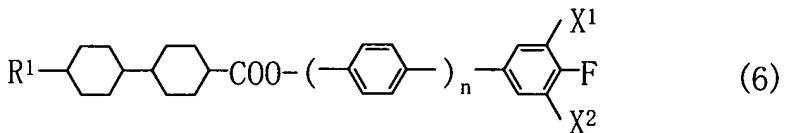
wherein  $\text{R}^1$  is alkyl;  $\text{X}^1$  and  $\text{X}^2$  independently are hydrogen or fluorine; and  $n$  is 0 or 1.

8. (Original) The liquid crystal composition according to claim 2, further comprising, as a sixth component, at least one compound selected from a group of compounds represented by Formula (6).



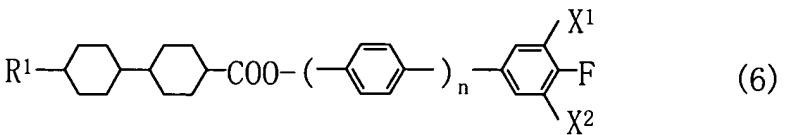
wherein  $\text{R}^1$  is alkyl;  $\text{X}^1$  and  $\text{X}^2$  independently are hydrogen or fluorine; and  $n$  is 0 or 1.

9. (Original) The liquid crystal composition according to claim 3, further comprising, as a sixth component, at least one compound selected from a group of compounds represented by Formula (6).



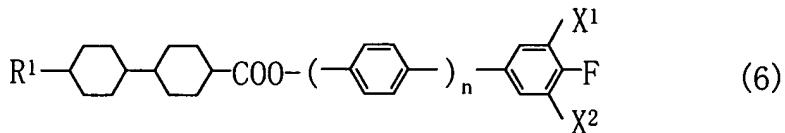
wherein  $\text{R}^1$  is alkyl;  $\text{X}^1$  and  $\text{X}^2$  independently are hydrogen or fluorine; and  $n$  is 0 or 1.

10. (Original) The liquid crystal composition according to claim 4, further comprising, as a sixth component, at least one compound selected from a group of compounds represented by Formula (6).



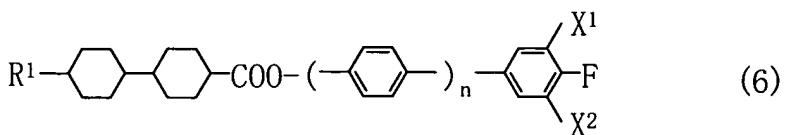
wherein  $\text{R}^1$  is alkyl;  $\text{X}^1$  and  $\text{X}^2$  independently are hydrogen or fluorine; and  $n$  is 0 or 1.

11. (Original) The liquid crystal composition according to claim 5, further comprising, as a sixth component, at least one compound selected from a group of compounds represented by Formula (6).



wherein  $\text{R}^1$  is alkyl;  $\text{X}^1$  and  $\text{X}^2$  independently are hydrogen or fluorine; and  $n$  is 0 or 1.

12. (Original) The liquid crystal composition according to claim 6, further comprising, as a sixth component, at least one compound selected from a group of compounds represented by Formula (6).



wherein  $\text{R}^1$  is alkyl;  $\text{X}^1$  and  $\text{X}^2$  independently are hydrogen or fluorine; and  $n$  is 0 or 1.

13. (Original) The liquid crystal composition according to claim 7, wherein the sixth component is in the range of 1 to 40% by weight based on the total weight of the composition.

14. (Original) The liquid crystal composition according to claim 8, wherein the sixth component is in the range of 1 to 40% by weight based on the total weight of the composition.

15. (Original) The liquid crystal composition according to claim 9, wherein the sixth component is in the range of 1 to 40% by weight based on the total weight of the composition.

16. (Original) The liquid crystal composition according to claim 10, wherein the sixth component is in the range of 1 to 40% by weight based on the total weight of the composition.

17. (Original) The liquid crystal composition according to claim 11, wherein the sixth component is in the range of 1 to 40% by weight based on the total weight of the composition.
18. (Original) The liquid crystal composition according to claim 12, wherein the sixth component is in the range of 1 to 40% by weight based on the total weight of the composition.
19. (Currently amended) A liquid crystal display element comprising the liquid crystal composition according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 18~~ claim 1.
20. (Original) The liquid crystal display element according to claim 19, wherein the liquid crystal display element is an AM element.
21. (New) A liquid crystal display element comprising the liquid crystal composition according to claim 2.
22. (New) A liquid crystal display element comprising the liquid crystal composition according to claim 3.
23. (New) A liquid crystal display element comprising the liquid crystal composition according to claim 4.
24. (New) A liquid crystal display element comprising the liquid crystal composition according to claim 5.
25. (New) A liquid crystal display element comprising the liquid crystal composition according to claim 6.
26. (New) A liquid crystal display element comprising the liquid crystal composition according to claim 7.

27. (New) A liquid crystal display element comprising the liquid crystal composition according to claim 8.
28. (New) A liquid crystal display element comprising the liquid crystal composition according to claim 9.
29. (New) A liquid crystal display element comprising the liquid crystal composition according to claim 10.
30. (New) A liquid crystal display element comprising the liquid crystal composition according to claim 11.
31. (New) A liquid crystal display element comprising the liquid crystal composition according to claim 12.
32. (New) A liquid crystal display element comprising the liquid crystal composition according to claim 13.
33. (New) A liquid crystal display element comprising the liquid crystal composition according to claim 14.
34. (New) A liquid crystal display element comprising the liquid crystal composition according to claim 15.
35. (New) A liquid crystal display element comprising the liquid crystal composition according to claim 16.
36. (New) A liquid crystal display element comprising the liquid crystal composition according to claim 17.

37. (New) A liquid crystal display element comprising the liquid crystal composition according to claim 18.
38. (New) The liquid crystal display element according to claim 21, wherein the liquid crystal display element is an AM element.
39. (New) The liquid crystal display element according to claim 22, wherein the liquid crystal display element is an AM element.
40. (New) The liquid crystal display element according to claim 23, wherein the liquid crystal display element is an AM element.
41. (New) The liquid crystal display element according to claim 24, wherein the liquid crystal display element is an AM element.
42. (New) The liquid crystal display element according to claim 25, wherein the liquid crystal display element is an AM element.
43. (New) The liquid crystal display element according to claim 26, wherein the liquid crystal display element is an AM element.
44. (New) The liquid crystal display element according to claim 27, wherein the liquid crystal display element is an AM element.
45. (New) The liquid crystal display element according to claim 28, wherein the liquid crystal display element is an AM element.
46. (New) The liquid crystal display element according to claim 29, wherein the liquid crystal display element is an AM element.

47. (New) The liquid crystal display element according to claim 30, wherein the liquid crystal display element is an AM element.
48. (New) The liquid crystal display element according to claim 31, wherein the liquid crystal display element is an AM element.
49. (New) The liquid crystal display element according to claim 32, wherein the liquid crystal display element is an AM element.
50. (New) The liquid crystal display element according to claim 33, wherein the liquid crystal display element is an AM element.
51. (New) The liquid crystal display element according to claim 34, wherein the liquid crystal display element is an AM element.
52. (New) The liquid crystal display element according to claim 35, wherein the liquid crystal display element is an AM element.
53. (New) The liquid crystal display element according to claim 36, wherein the liquid crystal display element is an AM element.
54. (New) The liquid crystal display element according to claim 37, wherein the liquid crystal display element is an AM element.